

Fred Knueppel

Fred Knueppel is admired for his volunteer efforts and concern for his community. He has spent thousands of hours volunteering in many different capacities. Fred is the President of Franklin Senior Citizens Inc., giving of his time with an unselfish attitude. He has also been appointed to the City of Franklin's Planning Commission by two mayors because of the valuable insight he has on zoning and planning topics and his familiarity with the needs and wants of the large senior population.

Fred is a long-time member and officer of the Lions Club. He championed the creation of a technology center for the senior citizens of the City of Franklin's meal site where they become acquainted with computers. They use the devices to network and communicate with other seniors in their communities and throughout the world.

Fred received the 2009 "Inspire by Example" award from the Volunteer Center of Milwaukee for his development of a computer repair program at Independence First. The used computers are solicited, repaired and refurbished, then donated to low-income people and people with disabilities who, otherwise, would not have been able to acquire one. He also volunteers his time consulting with seniors and maintaining the technology for the Brenwood Senior Apartments complex.

One of the most giving features about Fred and his wife, Cindy, is the fact that they have taken in a couple of homeless friends who had no place to go except for the streets. These people lived, free of charge, in Fred and Cindy's home until they could get back on their feet. A very kind neighbor to many, a friend to all.

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